

# *Commencement*

Indiana State School for the Deaf  
INDIANAPOLIS



School Auditorium  
*Tuesday, June Sixth*  
Nineteen Hundred and Fifty  
At 8:30 P.M.



# Graduating Class of 1950



## Class Motto

"Rowing, not drifting"

Class Colors      Class Flower  
Maroon and Silver Gray      Sweet Pea

## CLASS ROLL

Robert Lewis Bates	- - - - -	Evansville
Virginia Mae Bishir	- - - - -	Oxford
Donald Lee Deardorff	- - - - -	Wolcott
Morris Glessner	- - - - -	Peru
Dale Leroy Herrin	- - - - -	Danville
Shirley Ann Herrin	- - - - -	Danville
Lilas Ann Hole	- - - - -	Indianapolis
Richard Kent Johnson	- - - - -	Corydon
Jomyla Carol Land	- - - - -	Indianapolis
Bije Lewis	- - - - -	Salem
Robert Lee Lewis	- - - - -	Indianapolis
William Thurau Louden	- - - - -	Indianapolis
Oliver Benton McKee, Jr.	- - - - -	Indianapolis
Jerome Richard Moers	- - - - -	Evansville
Orville Eugene Northcutt	- - - - -	Crawfordsville
Robert Joe Surowiec	- - - - -	LaPorte
Alice Kathern Thurston	- - - - -	Princeton
Doris Jean Wells	- - - - -	Greencastle
Barbara Ann Wesley	- - - - -	South Bend

# Program



PRELUDE—Romance op. 24, No. 9 - - - - - Sibelius  
PROCESSIONAL—*Marche Romaine* - - - - - Gounod  
Student Marshals—Gerald Bush and Donald LaVallee  
INVOCATION - - - - - Rev. Father Joseph V. Beechem  
*Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church*  
SALUTATORY - - - - - Robert Bates  
Spoken by Richard Johnson  
GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD - - - - - O. H. Keller  
President  
KIWANIS AWARDS - - - - - Charles G. Rawlings  
Principal  
ANNUAL ANNA KRUGER SCHMIDT AWARD - - Edward C. Schmidt  
VALEDICTORY - - - - - Jerome Moers  
Spoken by Richard Johnson  
ADDRESS, *Light A Candle* - - - - - Dr. Harold Richardson  
President of Franklin College  
Interpreted by Susan Christian  
CLASS POEM - - - - - The Graduates  
PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS - - - - - Jackson A. Raney  
Superintendent  
Assisted by William Travis, Jr. and Nancy Lawrence  
BENEDICTION - - - - - Rev. Father Joseph V. Beechem  
POSTLUDE—*Fifth Nocturne* - - - - - Leybach

(Seniors will receive in the gymnasium immediately following this program)



THE HON. HENRY F. SCHRICKER  
*Governor of Indiana*

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### VALEDICTORY

With mixed feelings of sadness and happiness we, the class of 1950 of the Indiana State School for the Deaf, will remember this day.

We have passed many happy days here. There will be no more such days for us.

We are proud of our school, the buildings, the campus, the equipment, and all the people who are a part of our school.

We are grateful to our parents for sending us to school. We are grateful to the state of Indiana and the Board of Trustees for making our school possible. We appreciate the continuous and successful efforts of Mr. Raney and his staff to improve our school in every way. We are thankful to our teachers and supervisors for their guidance and leadership.

On behalf of the class of 1950, I wish to thank all the people who have made it possible for us to obtain the advantages of an education, guidance toward better citizenship, and preparation for self-support.

Today the clock will strike. But why be sad? True, we must depart from each other and friends, but we shall find new friends and new horizons.

Our class has chosen as its motto, "Rowing, not drifting." We have found that in lessons, in work, and in athletics it is the same; you must row if you wish to be successful.

We are eager to continue our rowing. We want to be a credit to our school, our state, and our country.

Jerome Moers.

### SALUTATORY

On behalf of the class of 1950, I extend to all our friends and relatives a very sincere welcome to our commencement program.

We appreciate your presence. We want you to be with us as we come to the end of a very important part of our lives.

We have looked forward to this day. Sometimes the day of our graduation has seemed a long way up the river of life, but today as we look back we realize that the several happy years we have spent here are really not very many.

Although we shall miss our alma mater, we are anxious to go forth into the world. I believe that the most important thing our school has taught us is to row, not drift. We are eager to show the world that we can do the daily tasks of life and succeed in many ways that will bring credit to our school, our friends, and our families.

Robert Bates.